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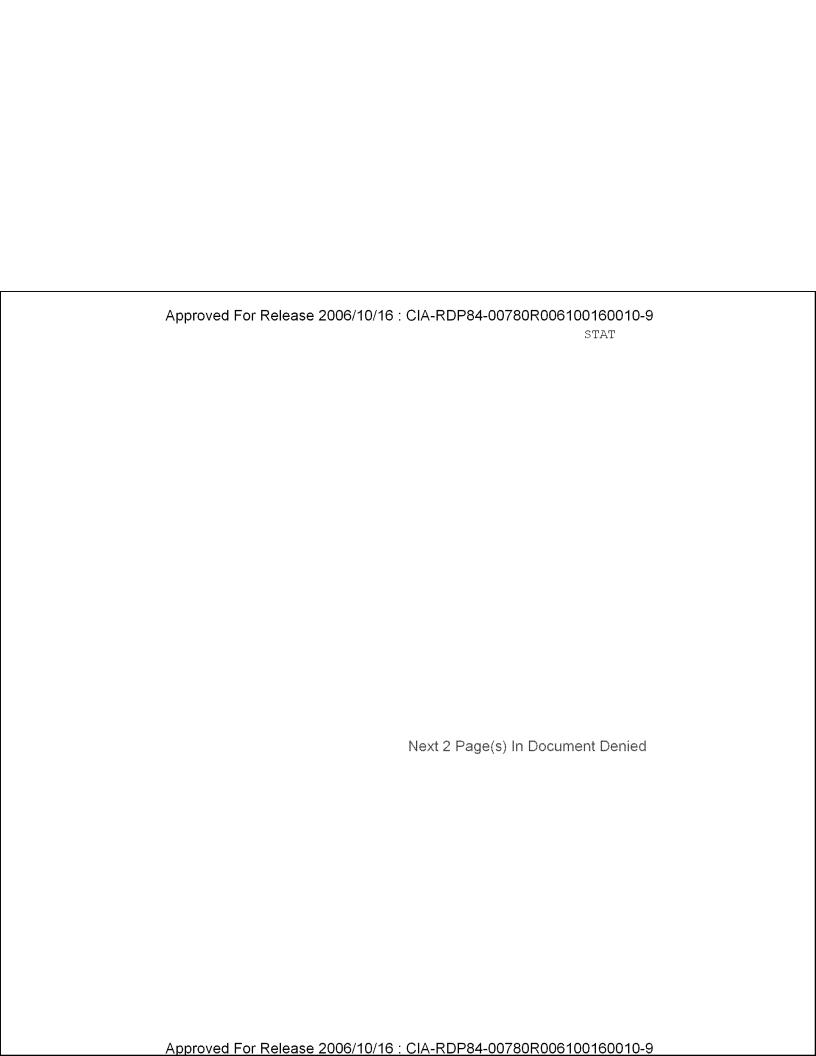
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Additionally, we would ask NSA to expand its staff commitment to the Center by providing two instructors and one Clerk/Typist. It is our estimate that this augmented staff could provide approximately fifty weeks of instruction in interagency courses and in segments of information science training in internal courses in CIA, DIA and NSA.

The alternative to this proposed course of action would involve costly duplication of staff and facilities in each agency and, perhaps, a lowering of the quality training that we can achieve if we each detail some of our best training talent to a joint effort in this important area.

We will welcome your views on these proposals.

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